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### **MINUTES CITY OF COVINGTON ARTS COMMISSION MEETING**

**Thursday, April 14, 2011**

**Council Chambers City Hall  
16720 SE 271<sup>st</sup> Street, Suite 100, Covington**

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#### **CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Gregg Lobdell called the meeting to order at 6:40.

#### **MEMBERS PRESENT**

Sandy Bisordi, Jonathon Comb, Gini Cook, Gregg Lobdell, Rudi Sullivan, Beatrice Wambui, Ed White,

#### **MEMBERS ABSENT**

None

#### **CITY STAFF PRESENT**

Pat Patterson

#### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/INSPIRATIONAL MESSAGE**

Inspirational ideas from famous artists were presented by Rudi.

#### **CITIZEN COMMENTS**

None

#### **APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA AND MEETING MINUTES**

We truly welcome our new Commissioners to the Arts Commission. Already we see that each of you has positive energy to bring to the commission. Thank you for volunteering your time to promote the arts in Covington. A motion was made by Sandy, seconded by Ed to approve the agenda. The motion passed with all commissioners voting. With commissioner additions the consent agenda was approved unanimously after a motion by Ed and a second by Gini.

#### **CONTINUED BUSINESS**

##### **1. Student Art Show Debrief**

- Commissioners reported that the re-inventory was done in a timely and organized manner. All work was placed into the correct portfolios for distribution to the schools.
- Pat reported there were 345 individual entries from 41 classes. We had three fewer locations but by arrangement with Pinnacle and Valley Licensing all work was displayed. Many business owners were emphatically positive in their response and

their customer's response to the art work. Commissioners felt that it is imperative that teachers communicate the nature of the event to eliminate the assumption that all of the work would be on display at the reception.

- Discussion ensued regarding business participation. The question was raised: Do we survey the business community to ascertain interest? Could this feedback then go to the Chamber of Commerce? Ed and Gregg will work on this during the month.
- A question was raised whether the city website can be used as an artist registry, and a place for the business owners to communicate their interest in participation.
- Sandy volunteered to review the Student art Show write-up by Donna and add or edit the document for the commission.

## 2. Display Artist

- There was a question of whether we have a display artist for the month of July. Craig Holmes has not responded as the historical society is the display artist for May. Gregg will check his notes regarding the July artist and Pat will try to firm up the commitment for May.

## 3. Covington Days Festival Art Show

- As of the last Covington Days meeting there was no commitment by MultiCare to be a sponsor. There is another Covington Days meeting April 20 and a discussion of parking will be on the agenda.
- Because there is a lack of confirmed information needed on the prospectus, a revised perspective will be completed by the next (May) meeting.
- Ed is working on the poster and the same art will be on the prospectus. Can information be distributed via the Reporter to inform students of the event?
- Other items of discussion were: should we pair with the quilt show, should we consider using City Hall as an exhibition space for the Art Show? The pros and cons of these questions were discussed.

## 4. City Art Guide

- Gini has had some success in locating and contacting artists. Some of the City contact information is out of date. Commissioners reviewed the information to be included in the guide. Gini continues the work.

## 5. Recruitment of Commission members

- Interviews for commission positions will be at the May 24 City Council meeting.

# NEW BUSINESS

## 1. Mission Statement

- A mission statement was created in 2003 and revised in 2004. Commissioners agreed that it is time to look up this work and perhaps revise it.

## 2. Community Health Survey

- Pat is working with an intern and she has distributed a survey to Commission members in an attempt to gather input from the community.

3. Council Update
  - A request was made to Gregg to ask the City Council to honor Stefano Langone for his progress on American Idol.
4. Art Show Work Plan
  - Ed is updating the Art Show work plan for 2011
5. Volunteer hours record—please keep them current.
6. Change July meeting to accommodate schedule for Art Show.

#### **FUTURE AGENDA TOPICS**

None

Group Memory was approved by all Commission members.

#### **ADJOURN**

Meeting was adjourned at 9:15 PM by Chair Gregg Lobdell.